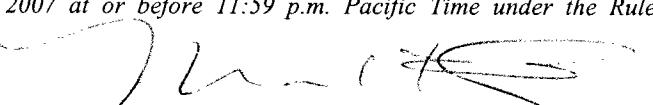


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Commissioner:

Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED										
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Total Claims Fee	13	*20		x \$25.00	x \$50.00	.00				
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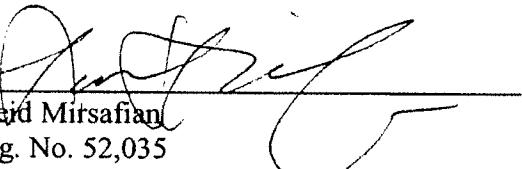
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X A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed and the required fee is to be charged to Deposit Account No.: 03-1728.  
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Other enclosures:

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